

TOBACCO-RELATED DISPARITIES IN ALABAMA

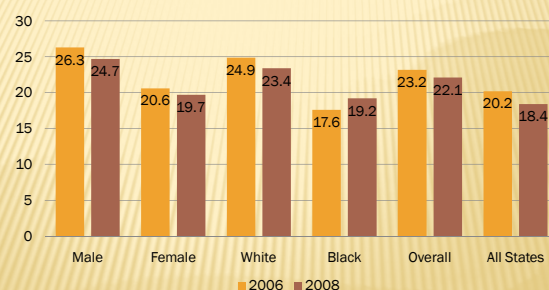
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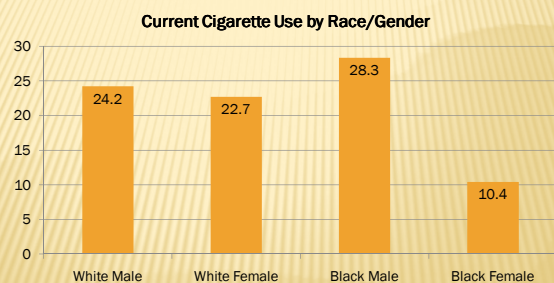
Tobacco use among members of certain racial or ethnic populations and/or people of low socioeconomic status is higher than for the general population. Often these groups also have less access to health care and other resources that would help them prevent and/or treat their illnesses, resulting in a disproportionate burden of tobacco-related disease and death. Eliminating tobacco-related health disparities poses a great challenge to Alabama and the nation.

In June 2007, the ADPH Tobacco Prevention and Control Branch convened a workgroup to develop a strategic plan for addressing disparities related to tobacco. The functions of the Alabama Tobacco-Related Disparities Workgroup included exchanging ideas, identifying issues around tobacco-related disparities, developing new strategies, establishing new partnerships, and providing statewide leadership. The workgroup was charged with developing a statewide strategic plan to guide future work to eliminate tobacco-related disparities. This plan provides a blueprint for policy makers, public health professionals, and community activists to protect our people from premature death, illness, and suffering caused by tobacco.

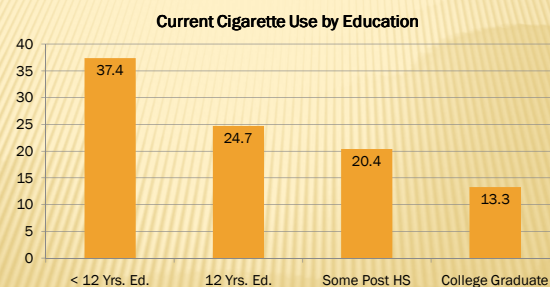
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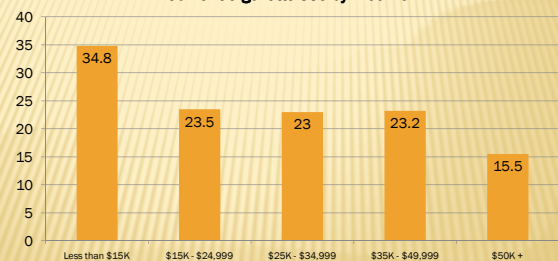
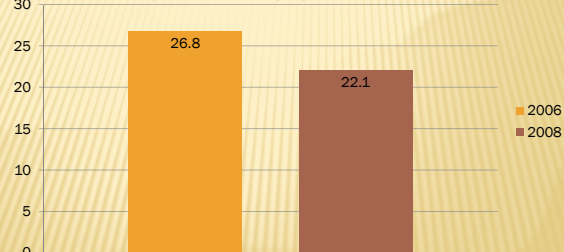
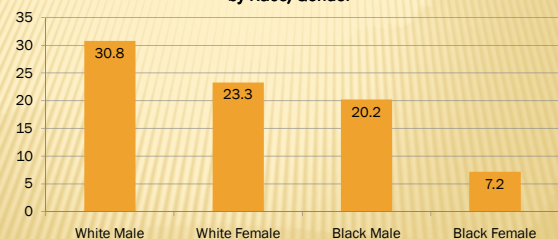
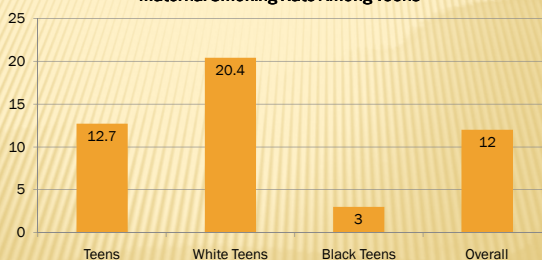


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